### The Favorable Influence of a Better Tone in London.

The Foreign Quotations of America: Stocks Show Substantial Advances -The Railway List the Leader of the Market-Irregularity Develops Toward the Close of the Day.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.-The upward movement which was in progress in the stock market at the close of business on Saturday was resumed in noteworthy proportions upon the opening of business this morning. Speculative interest was favorably influenced by the fact that the London market appeared to be recovering from the scare induced by the numerous failures announced on Saturday. No additional insolvencies were reported.

London quotations for American stocks showed general and substantial advances the gains in some instances being in excess of 1 per cent. A further very favorable influence in the market was the showing made by the banks in their weekly statement on Saturday, which was assumed to indicate that there was little further canger of anything approaching mone ary stringency.

There was otherwise virtually nothing of a flanancial nature in the news of the morning. As regarded the general marand active. The dealings in the granger stocks were unusually animated. St. Paul was again notably strong and active, while Burlington and Quincy, after opening higher, reacted sharply. Pennsylvania was a conspicuous feature of the higher

was comparatively neglected, and the dealings in the local traction shares were also
overshadowed by those in the railway list.

The market became irregular in tone in
the last half hour of trading, the moderate
declines being the result of sales by operators who are unwilling to carry stocks
over the holiday. The closing was generally irregular at considerable recessions
from the same interests that have been
beoming the stock recently. Burlington,
which was weak on Saturday on account
of a poor statement for November, fulfilled the expectations of its friends early
in the morning by advancing steadily to
144. It was believed that a further advance will probably occur tomorrow.
Atchison common and preferred were
both strong, the preferred making a new
high price record above 89. Rock Island

American Cotton Off	21	8154	21	25
American S. & W	14554	4856	4656	- 4
American S. & W. pfd.,	99	5514	56	- 8
American Sugar	144	140	343%	
American Tologon	11030	77.057	112	11
American Tobacco	100	11078	350	4
Atominati	#100m	154.78	4614	
Atchison ptd	20174	89%	8514	- 8
Hallymore & Ohio	845年	84%	83%	81.8
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Brooklyn Rapid Transit.	85%	8754	5554	11:8
Chesapeaks & Ohio	4256	4234	4236	- 4:
Raltimore & Ohio	74	25%	74	- 2
Chicago, B. & Q				24
Chicago & Northwest's.	37235	17294	1715	17
C., M. & St. Paul.	14714	148%	147	14
Chicago, R. L & P	78156	19921	120%	22
Chicago & Great West	2757	1754	19872	1
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Delaware & Hudson	3227	33455	13514	12
Federal Steel pfd	57	07%	57	-5
Federal Steel pfd	77%	78	27%	100
General Electric Illinois Central	190	198%	190	19
Illinois Central	1324	123	132	3.22
Louisville & Nashville.	87.5%	5016	8774	- 8
Metropolitan Traction	17234	1721/2	17114	17
Manhattan Elevated	11536	117	-115	11
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Pacific Mail	7.5		-14	
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People's Gas	310000	100%		10
Reading first pfd	20Pb	7156	70%	7
Southern Pacific	445%	44%	45%	- 4
Southern Railway	221/	2214	21%	-0
Southern Railway pfd.,	72	70.5	72	723
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Tennessee Coal & Iron.	6414	651/2	6436	6
		81%	79%	- 39
Union Pacific pfd U. S. Leather	8435	0441	6427	8
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likely that before the end of the first three months of the year prices will be ten to fifty points higher than they are now. The ediate market is more uncertain. Many believe that the reactions that have occurred from day to day have prevented the public from getting overloaded with stocks and that the market is still in healthy condition capable of a much furth-er immediate advance. Others take the view, and not without some reason, that there is to be a sharp reaction this week. They base their opinion simply on the fact that prices have had a steady and im-mense advance, a greater advance in two months than they ever saw before. The street is full of the two opposite views It may be said in comment that the bears' opinion is based entirely on technical conditions, and that for the most part these same people believe stocks will sell higher in the near future. It may also be pointed out that the bears hold the same view they did two weeks ago, and a month ago, and that they have been entirely wrong so far. The believers in higher prices have all the real arguments on their side, and they have been right while the bears have been wrong. The advice of conserva-tive people is to take profits and not to pyramid, but it is not thought that all holdings of good securities should be sold out. However, this is an excess of raun that the public need hardly be warned

Yesterday's market was an interesting one, though it offered no conclusive arguments either for or against a continu of the advance. There was great irrevalarity all day, with many sharp bulges new high price records, and at the same time many declines. The net result of the day was a level of prices not very far from that of last Saturday. The London market opened with advances and the New York market followed suit. During the greater part of the session there was an advance in the grangers, the Pacifics, the trunk lines, and nearly all other railway securities, and some of the industrials also made good gains. In the last half hour of the day there were sharp recessions on profit taking by people that wished to be gin the new year with clear slates. There was no news of importance. Money was easy from 5 to 5 per cent. The talk was all of a plenty of funds after the January ents, which are to be the larg-

There was a bulge in the Eric securities earlyin the day which caught many shorts. When the recent advance ended in these stocks and the activity ceased in them for a time, the street came to the conclusion that the movement was over in them. It turned its attention, with the insiders, to Northern Pacific and St. Paul. Many professionals sold the stock short. Yes-

PRICES MOVING UPWARD Eries, and the price of the preferred was advanced sharply four or five points to 63, a new high price record. The common also boomed up two or three points. At least one important house in this city was advised of the upward movement early in the day. It is said very postively that the "community of ownership" deal is being carried out in a big way attended.

the popular one with hig interests every where at present. The controlling inter-ests in the New York traction companies morning. As regarded the general market or particular stocks, interest centred largely in the railway list, in which some particularly rapid rises were scored. Northern Pacific was a conspicuous feature in an advance extending to two points in both common and preferred shares. Union Pacific was likewise notably strong and active. The dealings in the granger stocks were unusually animated. St. Paul was again notably strong and active, while shared and in immense volume. The restocks were unusually animated. St. Paul was again notably strong and active, while shared and in immense volume. The restocks were unusually animated. St. Paul was again notably strong and active, while railway systems. The trackamong the big railway systems. The trac-tion securities were all buoyant yesterday morning, but later they declined with the general market until there were no net

was a conspicuous feature of the higher priced stocks in a notably sharp advance. Other stocks in which the advances attained noteworthy proportions were the Atchison issues, Louisville and Nashville, Baltimore and Ohio, and 'Delaware and Hudson. Among the lower priced stocks Southern Rallway common and Texas and Pacific were decidedly firm.

Sugar Refining was the active feature of the industrial quarter, and after opening decidedly higher the stocks showed a somewhat reactionary tendency. Southern Pacific was the only feature of the rallway list in which effective pressure was noted. The industrial quarter, aside from Sugar, was comparatively neglected, and the dealings in the local traction shares were also

New York Stock Market.

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Open. High. Low. Clos.
American Cotton Oil... 31 81% 31 31% 41 31% was some natural prof: taiting.

> Pennsylvania advanced almost to 150. There seemed to be a race between this stock and St. Paul as to which should reach that price first. People with long pockethooks and long heads have been buying this stock for a long time, and the advance, though delayed somewhat, is entirely satisfactory. There is talk of a much higher fevel for it than the present one. New York Central sold at 145 "ex" dividend. The Baltimore and Ohlo securities were strong. Pennsylvania advanced almost to 150

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though they held their own well. It is thought that the upward movement in them may begin with the New Year. The trade reports are improving every Orders are booked for nine months

The failure of Southern Pacific to ad vance with the remainder of its group has created some bearishness regarding it among professional traders, but it is probable that it will soon have a good upward movement if the general market continues strong. The new issue of bonds has probably been the cause of the lack of huoyancy, but the issue is not large or for a

Washington Stock Exchange.

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7's, 1901, "water stock" currency 102	244
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The "community of ownership" plan i eats in the New York traction companies are working on a similar plan to that that has been carried out so successfully among the trunk lines in the East, and is at present reaching fruition among the Western systems. There can be little doubt that the Metropolitan people have bought large blocks of both Manhattan and Brooklyn Ranid Transit in the part

Sales—Capital Traction 4's, \$1,000@107; Union Trust and Storage Co., 10@102; Capital Traction, 20@103 5-8, 20@103 3-4, 160@103 7-8; Washington Gas, 47@62, 25@ Capital Traction, 20@103 7-8; Mergentha-

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y people interested in St. Paul, Northern acific, and Erie.	Riggs +71/4
The other coal securities were nearly il buoyant, and the net movements of hese stocks were the most satisfactory	People's
f the day, as their reactions at the close ere unimportant. Reading first prefered dyapéed to 71.7-8 and closed at 71. Dela- are and Hudson advanced to 1341-4 and lesed at 132. Ontario and Western ad-	Real Estate Title
anced a point to 132 1-4, but lost its gain ater in the day. The coal situation is corthy of more consideration than most market people are giving it. The harmony	Capital Traction
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appy combination of high prices and	MISCELLANEOUS STOCKS
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### BALTIMORE PRICE CURRENT. Wholesale Provision and Grain Mar-

ket Quotations in Fuil. BALTIMORE, Dec. 31.-Following are

today's quotations in the local wholesale provision and grain markets: Wheat-Stock in elevators, 941,690 bus. Receipts for Southern were light, and with a good demand the market ruled firm and prices were higher. Sales on grade at

75 I-2c for No. 2 red and a small lot by sample brought 72c. Corn—Stock in elevators, 1,005,594 bus. The market for Southern was firm and higher under light receipts and a good demand. Sales of cargoes on grade at 43 1-2c for No. 2 white and of fellow or mixed at 42 3-4c. Cob firm at \$2,25 per bbl for ear-

load lots prime yellow on spot.

Western wheat today opened strong and higher; December, 75c. Decidedly firmer for foreign markets, Paris alone being the

tirely satisfactory. There is talk of a much higher level for it than the present one. New York Central sold at 145 "ex" dividend. The Baltimore and Ohio securities were strong.

Railway earnings for the third week of December were superb. Fifty lines make returns, showing a gain in gross earnings of 8.4 per cent.

Sugar advanced sharply to 149, but the bityers there encountered some important opposition, and the price reacted three or four points at the close. The probability is that the stock will sell at a higher level in the near future, but it is dangerous either to buy or to sell, if one is an outsider. There was no news regarding either the trust or its stock yesterday.

Sits in close quarters. To remedy all the present willing at one time is manifestly impossible, for it would take so long to correct them that the stone will all 1-2c and February at same price, contract. Western corn today was firmer early, but later prices cased off, trade being printing or the switching order. Cash sold at 41 1-2c and February at same price, colored the present building at one time is manifestly impossible, for it would take so long to correct them that the stage of the switching order. Cash sold at 41 1-2c and February at same price, would take so long to correct them that to spring order. Cash sold at 1-2c and February at 1-3c bid; January being 41 3-3c. Frivate cables dull and steady. The market closed firm; spot, new, 41 3-3c bid; year, 41 1-3c bid; January being 41 3-3c bid; January at 1-3c bid; January at 1-3c bid; January being 41 1-2c; and February 41 1-2c; to bid; January being 41 1-2c; and February 41 1-2c; to bid; January being 41 1-2c; and February 41 1-2c; bid; January being 41 1-2c and February at a same price, with the stage of the present building at one time is manifestly impossible. For it would take so long to correct them that to present being printices assed off, trade being printices. We said the compelled to sit in a torn-up building. But one time to sum from the price, cash sold at 11-2c and Fe

The Pacifics were quite as buoyant as the grangers at the opening both Northern common and Union common making new high records.

Leather fails to advance, though it has been "tipped" as a great purchase.

The steel securities were again quiet, though that hey held their own well. It is though that the upward movement in \$2.5562.29 Maryland, Virginia, and Pennsylvania Extra, \$4.500 Maryland, Virginia, and Penns land, Virginia, and Pennsylvania Extra, \$2.55@2.96; Maryland, Virginia, and Pennsylvania Family, \$3.30@3.56; City Mills Super, \$2.50@2.65; Rio Extra, \$3.65@3.80; Rye flour, medium to choice, \$3.00@3.25. Oats—Market quiet. Stock in elevators, 245.816 bus. White, No. 2, 31 1-2c; de No. 2, 38@30 1-2c; do No. 4, 29 1-2@30c; do ungraded, 29 1-2@31 1-2; mixed, No. 2, 28@28 1-2c; do No. 3, 27 1-2@28c; do No. 4, 26 1-2@27 1-2c; ungraded, 28@29c. Rye—The market was quiet. Stock in elevators, 179.586 bus. No. 2 rye, in carelevators, 179,586 bus. No. 2 rye, in car-lots, 50c; No. 3 rye, 48c; No. 2 Western lots, sec; No. 3 rye, sec; No. 3 re-rye, 51c for spot, and about sarse price for December rye. Bag lots nearby quo-table at from 43@50c per hus, as to qual-

ty and condition. Hay—Market quiet. No. 1 timothy, \$17; No. 2, \$15.00@16.50; No. 3, \$15.00@16.50; No. 1 clover, mixed, \$15.50@16.00; No. 2 clover, mixed, \$14.00@15.00; No. 1 clover,

\$15.00@16.00 Clatter for lightweight, all \$17.60; spring bran, in 200-1b sacks, \$17.60; do, in 100-1b sacks, \$17.50; City Mills middling firm, at \$18 per ton.

Grain freights—Market dull Liverpool, per bus, 3d, January; London, per quarter, 2s, February; Glasgow, 2s 101-2d@3s, January; Belfast, 3s, January; Dublin, 3s, January; Bristol, 3s, January; Leith, 3s 3d, January; Cork, 3s 6d, January; Den-mark, 3s 6d January; picked ports, 2s 10 1-2d, January; Antwerp, 3s 3d, Jan-uary; Bremen, 60 pfgs, January and Feb-ruary; Hamburg, 3s 3d, April; Havre, none offered. Butter-The market was steady. Cream

ery, separator, extra, 25@251-2c; extra first, 241-2@25c; creamery first, 23@24c; creamery imitation, extra, 19@20c; Iowa creamery initiation, extra, 198120c; Iowa and Northwestern ladie, extra, 175218c; do, extra first, 16c; Western store-packed, 13814c; Ohio rolls, first, 16617c; second, 14615c; West Virginia rolls, first, 1425 15c; second, 12614c; Elgin creamery prints, 1-2 lb, 29c do, 1 lb, 28c; do, 2 lbs, 26627c; Maryland and Pennsylvania creamery prints, 1-2 lb, 27628c; do, 1 lb, Vic. do, 2 lbs, 26. e: do 2 lbs. 26c.

res. 40, 2 10s, 20t. Eggs. The market was dull. Strictly resh, 21c; Western, 200 21c. Fish and oysters. The market for fish was dull. Crocus, 2622; rock, tolling, 157/20c; medium, 12c; do pan, 82/10c; white perch, large, 85/10c; medium, 45/1c; rellow perch, large, 4c; grey (rout, per bbl, large, \$8@16; do per lb, small 20%4c; fresh salmon, lb, Lbc; catfish, 30%4c; flounders, per lb, 50%6c; cels, 40%6c; lob-aters, 18@20c; clams, white, per 100, 40c;

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oysters, bulk stock, 70cG\$1.20 per bus; choice raw bex per holf \$1.00G\$1.00 culls, 75cG\$1.50.

Green fruits and vaterables—The market was quiet. Apples. Western Mary, land and Pennsylvania, packed, per bbl, \$1.00G\$2.00; New York, per bbl fancy King, \$2.00G\$2.50; do \$500 to choice, \$2.00G\$2.25; Baldwins, per bbl, \$2.500G\$2.75; Greenings, \$2.500G\$2.75; do, No. 2s, all varieties, per bbl, \$1.00G\$1.00; cabbage, New York, per ton, \$12.00G\$1.00; cabbage, New York, per ton, \$12.00G\$1.00; cabage, New York, per ton, \$12.00G\$1.00; do, per box, \$2.50G\$2.75; celery, Michigan, per dozen, 250G\$10; cucumbers, Florida, per box, \$1.50G\$2.00; lims beans, native, per box, \$4.50G\$2.00; lims beans, native, per box, \$4.50G\$2.00; lims beans, native, per box, \$60G\$00; cyster plants, native, per bus, \$60G\$1.25; lurnips, native, each, \$476C; quinces, New York, per bbl, No. 1, \$1.50G\$1.75; do, No. 2, \$1.00G\$1.25; string beans, Norfolk, per basket, green, 50G\$75c; do, wax \$1.00G\$1.25; turnips, native, per box, 20G\$25c.

Grocerles—Raw sugar dull; refined dull. Quotations per 100-10 hots: Granulated, \$5.70; cut loaf, \$6.10; Keystone "A." \$5.70; yellow sugars, \$4.65G\$1.85; Molasses, N. O., St. Clare, \$8c; Kingsland, 34c; Sunlight, N. O., 25c; St. Vincent, P. R., 25c; St. John's, P. R., 19c; No. 12 Susar House, 18c. Syrups—The market was steady. Gold Medal, 27c; King (Vanilla), 29c; Rock Candy Drips, 27c; Gilt Edge, 24c; Corn, 22c; No. 12, 17c. Tea was firm; Hyson, superior to fine, 28G\$32c; choice to choiceste, 44G\$6c; uncolored Japan (new crop), finest, 40G\$43c; choice to choiceste, stra, finest, 30G\$40c.

Potatoes—The market was steady, Maryland and Pennsylvania prime, per bus, 55G\$58c; sweets, Eastern Shore yellows, per bus, 48G\$52c; doice to choice to choiceste, 25G\$25c; per bus, 48G\$52c; doice to choice to choiceste, 19cG\$25c; per bus,

Poultry-Market was firm. Old fewls, 7@7 1-2c per lb: springers, 7 1-2@8c per lb: roosters, 20@25c spiece; ducks, 9@10c

per lb; turkeys, 10c per lb; dressed chick-ens, 809c; do ducks, 9@10c; do turkeys,

11@12c.
Green coffee—Market stendy. No. 7 (Rio grade), 7917 1-8c.
Roasted coffee—Market stendy. Bulk roasted coffee—Market stendy. Bulk roasted coffee—Pure Java, 22c; Maracalbo, 22c; pure Laguayra, 22c; pure Santos, 19c; African Java, 181-2c; Rio blend, 181-2c; Peaberry mixture, 18c; pure Mocha, 30c; Java-Mocha blend, 271-2c. (These coffees are in fancy bags, paperlined.) If packed in cans or tubs, 1-2c higher.

Package brands-E. L. C., 100-1b cases, Package brands—E. L. C. 109-10 cases, 12c: 66-1b cases, 12 1-10c; 26-1b cases, 12 2-10c. Liou coffee, in 100-1b lots, 11.20; in 60-1b lots, 11.30. Cotton—Market steady; middling, 10c; strictly low middling, 9 7-8c; low middling, 9 3-4c. Stock in Baltimore, 16,307 bales.

IMPROVEMENT BADLY NEEDED.

Hall of the House Not in Proper San-

Itary Condition.

It has long been admitted that something should be done for the hall of the House of Representatives to make it more habitable. Many plans have been proposed from time to time, and all have failed of adoption. Beautiful as the Capitol unfor foreign markets. Paris alone being the exception, and a continuance of small spring wheat receipts made a stronger opening than could be held. Cash sold at 75c, from which there was a decline, January selling at 747-8c and 743-4c. May being dull. Private cables quiet; not much change. The market closed strong; spet December, 75c bid; January, 75c bid; February, 781-4c bid, 781-2c asked; May, 81c bid. Sales, 2.806 fresh spot and 2,400 fresh, to arrive, all at 75c; 10,000 January, each at 747-8c and 743-4c; 20,000 January, 743-4c; 10,000 May, 797-8c. Settling price, contract, 747-8c; No. 2 red, 723-8c; steamer No. 2 red, 723-8c; steamer No. 2 red, 723-8c. doubtedly is from the outside, it would be

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per, \$2.35@2.45; Western Extra, \$2.55@2.45; Western Extra, the chamber are to be contracted and the

space about the sides to be utilized for reading, writing, and smoking rooms. A new system of ventilating is contemplated. Aside from the fact that the chamber would thus be made more habitable, the great argument from a popular point of view in favor of the proposed change is that the business of the House would be that the business of the House would be greatly expedited. At present the mem-bers who tiend the sessions devote most of their time in the chamber to reading and writing and conversation. Ordinarily little attention is paid to what is being said or what business is being transacted, with the result that because of the confusion much of the time is wasted. On the other hand, an argument used against the removal of the desks is that if the members were to carry on their correspondence elsewhere and did not have the attractions of a desk to hold them in the House the greatest difficulty would be experienced in securing and maintaining a quorum. Thirty members of the House of Commons is a sufficient number to transact business, but a majority of the ise of Representatives is required. An attempt was made two years ago to pass a similar bill, but Speaker Reed de-clined to let it come up, largely on the ground that it would create too much un-favorable comment to the effect that the House was patterning after the House of Cemmons. The advocates of the pian for semodeling the House are hopeful that the bill will pass this year, as the work can be done only during the long recess, and if not done during the coming summer two years must elapse before sufficient time

## FOR THE NEXT TERM.

Assignments of Justices of the District Supreme Court.

At a meeting of the Justices of the Supreme Court of the District yesterday, the following assignments of the members of the bench to the different branches of the court were made: Chief Justice Bingham Circuit Court No. 1; Justice Harry M. Clabaugh, Circuit Court No. 2: Justice Job Barnard, Criminal Court No. 1; Jus-tice C. C. Cole, Criminal Court No. 2: Jus-A. B. Hagner, Equity Court N and Justice Andrew A. Bradley, Equity Court No. 2. The changes mentioned will take effect on February 4, 1901.

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